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Emcee Courtney Michaels performs a routine as two audience members tip in appreciation at the Wartburg Alliance's Drag Show. —**Silvia Oakland**/TRUMPET

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Reaching for the stars: Wartburg students partner with NASA

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NASA selected two Wartburg students to conduct an authentica research project. The two elementary education majors, Hannah James and Jennifer Wiley, along with Dr. Michael Bechtel, assistant professor of science education, will work alongside Luisa Rebull, NASA researcher and director of NASA/IPAC program.

The group is working to bring more science, specifically astrology, into the classroom. With astronomy being Bechtel's less strong subject, he took the opportunity to apply for NASA/IPAC Teacher Archive Research Program (NITARP) to help better his students and himself.

"I thought it would push me out of my shell," Bechtel said. "We applied and I wanted to know I had some people behind me on this because it's a big endeavor."

Bechtel began the application process after talking to James and Wiley about the research project. The group went through an interview to express interest in bringing astronomy into the classroom. Wartburg is the first group from Iowa to be selected. The others working on the project are from Kansas, Mississippi and Massachusetts.

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A time for gratitude

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Thank you for picking up this week's issue of the Wartburg Trumpet! Now, it might sound cliche, but with Valentine's Day coming up, I think it is a wonderful time to express my gratitude for all of our readers.

The Wartburg Community is blessed to have a handful of strong leaders and students ready to stand up for what they are passionate about, and we at the Trumpet are hopeful that students see us as a platform to speard their voices. Many of my fellow students inspire me every single day, and I think that Valentine's Day, though different for everybody, embodies the idea of appreciation of special people in your life.

To me, the community I belong to here at school is so special, and I'm forever grateful that I've grown personally and as a student. That is why I love my position at the Wartburg Trumpet-- I get to hear all of the stories of the people who matter most to me, and I have the opportunity to gain a greater understanding of those I have yet to meet.

I hope that, as one of our readers, you put some consideration into expressing gratitude for not only those close to you, but for those who have impacted your life in any way, shape or form. I believe that all interactions give us the opportunity to grow and learn, and I'm so grateful for the ones I've made through the Trumpet.

As always, I hope you enjoy this issue, and I hope you've found your own personal inspirations and ideas through our content.

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Student Senate Elections 2019

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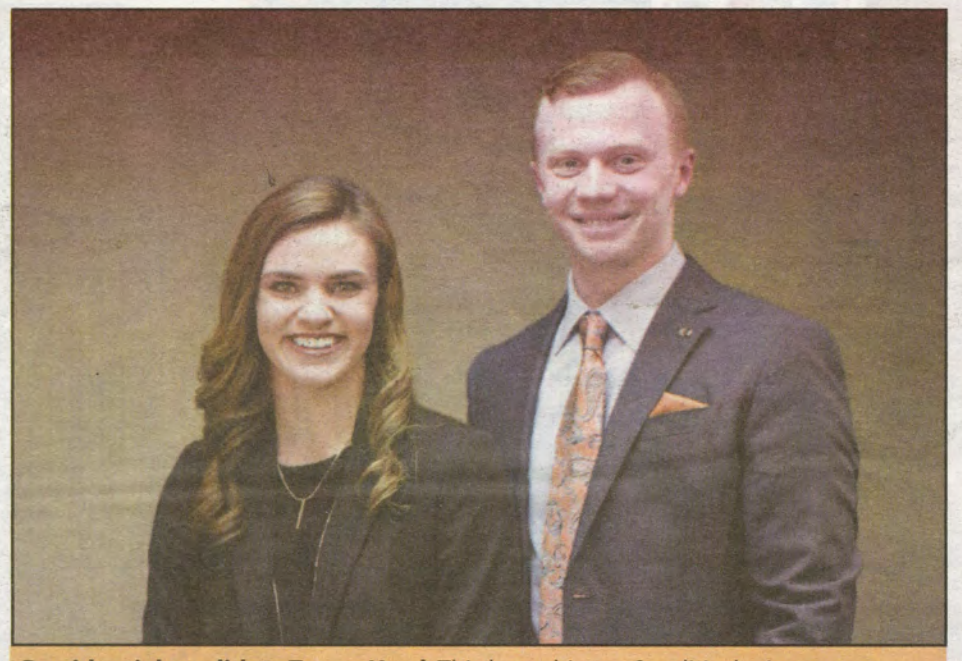


Presidential candidate Trevor Hurd: Third-year history & political science double-major.
Vice Presidential canditate Jenna Brannaman: Third-year journalism & communication major with a concentration in organizational and public relations with minors in business, graphic design and leadership.

"I believe students should consider our ticket because Jenna and I have a diverse background of experience that allows us to identify with a number of different groups on campus," Hurd said. "Additionally, I believe that Jenna and I are committed to student government and can work to strengthen the solid foundation that has been established by those who have previously held these positions. Wartburg is a special place filled with amazing people and I believe that we can continue to build an environment that attracts such terrific students, athletes, musicians, staff and faculty for the many years to come."

Presidential candidate Nathan Trabue: Third-year biology major with a pre-dentistry focus and a leadership minor.
Vice Presidential canditate Courtney Moser: Second-year journalism & communication major with concentrations in multimedia journalism and public relations with a leadership minor.

"We are dedicated to building our community and serving our fellow classmates through strengthened athletic connections to Student Senate, greater community development, enhanced scholarship opportunities, informational videos to show support of clubs and organizations on our campus and additional videos to equip Knights for life beyond college," Trabue said. "By voting for us, students can expect to see the favor returned through our continued work in building our community in these various aspects. Plus, we both have experience planning events, so students can expect extra special Outflies."

TREASURER CANDIDATES

Treasurer candiate Jordan Flaherty: Second-year economics and business administration major with a concentration in finance and minors in data analytics and computer science.

"I am running for Student Body Treasurer because I believe that the students of Wartburg deserve a treasurer willing to put their needs first and advocate for the responsible allocation of funding that reflects student desires," Flaherty said. "A vote for me is a vote for responsibility, for leadership and a budget understood by all."

Treasurer candiate Shazeb Jadoon: Third-year computer science, economics and actuarial science major with a data analytics minor.

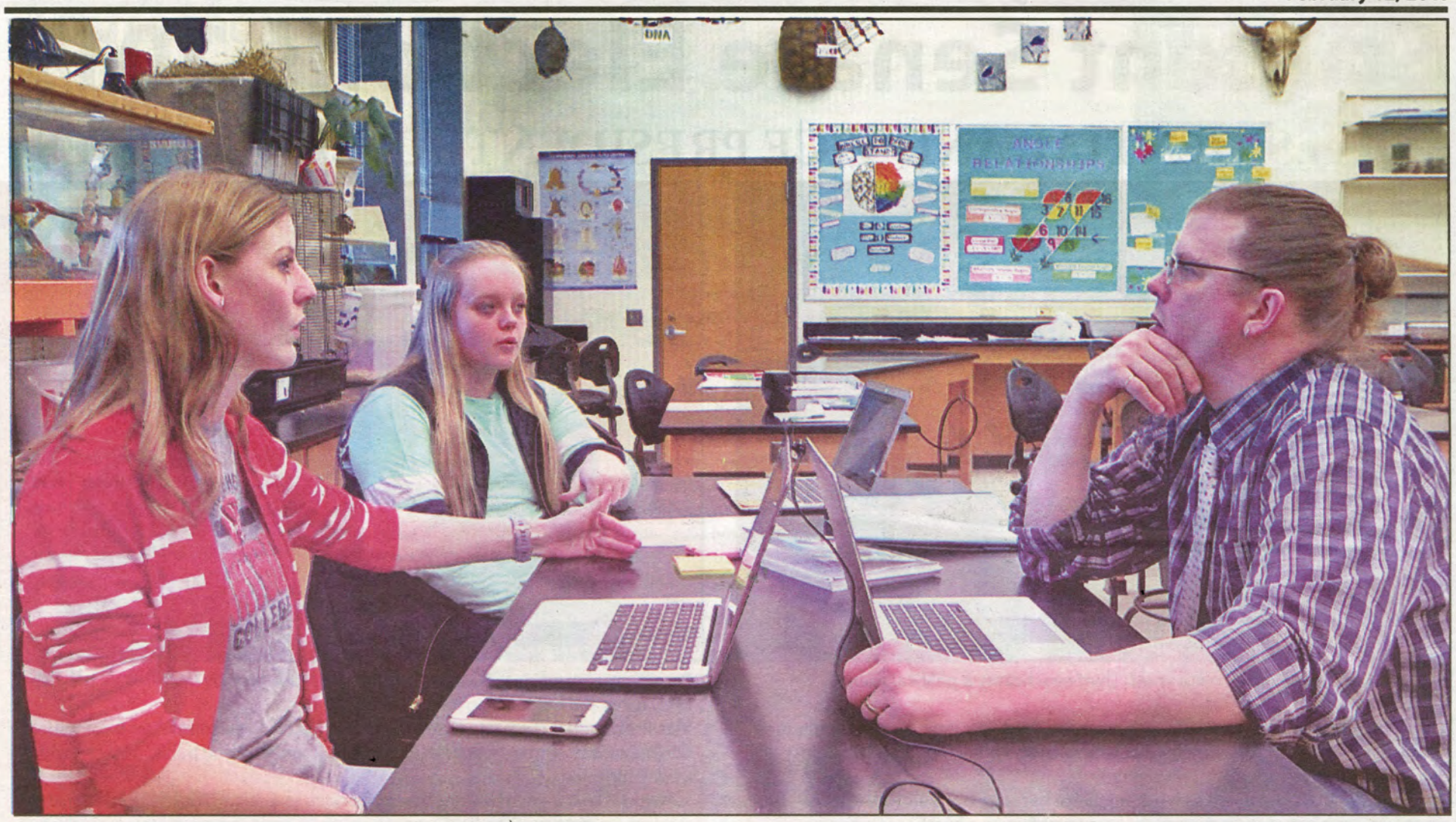
"Students should vote for me because my dedication to serve can be seen in my time at Wartburg especially in my experience within the Budget Review Committee at Senate, and as the Treasurer for International Club," Jadoon said. "Secondly since this is a position that'll help me in my career, I'll perform it with a passion that'll serve both me and the community."

RECORDER CANDIDATE

Recorder candiate Grace Greving: First-year actuarial science major with minors in graphic design and data analytics.

"I decided to run for Recorder because I really enjoy Senate and want to take a more active role in the organization," Greving said.

Voting will take place via email on Feb. 15



Hannah James (left), Jennifer Wiley (back left) and Dr. Michael Bechtel (right) discuss their agenda at their weekly meeting in Science Center 128. The group has recently began to meet with the other educators on the NASA research project. -**Silvia Oakland**/*TRUMPET*

Two wartburg students partner with NASA to conduct research

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The Wartburg group is looking for young star objects within the Lagoon Nebula doing for NASA, specifically portion of the nebula and how the series is a series of numbers along with naming them. To Wiley and Bechtel, this process was fairly difficult but luckily James had enough background information to be able to explain the process.

"They said 'I don't know what that means' and I said 'we have our nebula, which is like the United States and we're looking for a town within the United States and that's our nebula," James said. "Being able to know how to relay that information has been cool and helpful."

Besides doing research with NASA about the Lagoon Nebula, will also research astronomy for grades kindergarten through eighth. The latter research is not included with the NASA studies, but allows the group to connect science and education together as professional development of educators with NASA.

"We're trying to build a curriculum that includes astronomy," Wiley said. "The National Science Standards now requires astronomy education which is an uncharted territory for most elementary and middle school teachers."

"Our astronomer is female so I think it's really cool to have that connection with her and use that in my future classroom," James said. "I want to show my students a successful woman in a science and show them this really cool person in astronomy and if they want to do it they can too."

Aside from having group meetings with the other educators, Bechtel meets with James and Wiley weekly to discuss the research. James, Wiley and Bechtel will start to meet with the other educators involved shortly.

The educators and students, including James, Wiley and Bechtel, will present the research project at the AAS (SP OUT) winter meeting in Honolulu in 2020. James and Wiley hope to present the research at the National Science Teacher Conference in 2020.

Wartburg Counseling offering light therapy devices

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LIGHT THERAPY USES AND BENEFITS

Benefits:

- Simple and easy to use
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Conditions it is used for:

- Seasonal Affective Disorder (SAD)
- Non-seasonal depression
- Jet lag
- Sleep disorders
- Adjusting to a nighttime work schedule
- Dementia

Information from Mayo Clinic. -**Megan Stephenson**/*TRUMPET*

Wartburg Counseling Services now has sunlight-simulating light therapy devices available for students to checkout. According to Mayo Clinic, research has shown this tool can be effective in treating symptoms of Seasonal Affective Disorder (SAD), sleep disorders and symptoms of depression.

"With managing depression, students will ask about what are some natural things that I can do and that would be one of those things," Stephanie Newsom, director of Wartburg Counseling Services, said. "It isn't the only thing to try, but in addition to counseling, looking at your diet, exercise, coping mechanisms, and potentially medication for some people, it is just another thing to add to try to help."

According to the Mayo Clinic, during light therapy users should sit or work near the device, which gives off bright light that mimics natural outdoor light. This therapy is thought to affect brain chemicals linked to mood and sleep, easing SAD symptoms.

"I myself have set it in here and have it set off to the side and I do think it makes a difference," Newsom said.

Mayo Clinic lists a number of other conditions for which light therapy can be effective as a supplemental treatment, including jet lag, adjusting to a nighttime work schedule and dementia.

"For students students who are having a hard time managing those symptoms of Seasonal Affective Disorder or depression, know that these are here to check out but remember that that is a piece of the puzzle and there are other ways to help try to manage it," Newsom said.

While there are many benefits, Newsom advises students to be wary of any sensitivities to the light. Some of the side effects, although mild and short lasting, can include eyestrain, headaches, nausea and irritability.

Newsom also said the light can be a potential agitator for those with bipolar disorder, and if any symptoms occur, students should stop using the device.

The counseling office has two lights boxes available for checkout, and the Wartburg Chapel also offers one for student use.

For more information, or to check out a light box, contact Counseling Services at counseling@wartburg.edu or call (319) 352-8596.

Wartburg hosts Unified Sports Day

Students join Special Olympic Athletes that participated in event

Wartburg student-athletes and Special Olympics Athletes participate in Unified Sports Day in "The W." There are 20 activities that rotate throughout the day. -**Annika Wall**/*Trumpet*

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At the Wartburg-Waverly Wellness Center ("The W"), it is not uncommon to see athletes competing against each other on the weekends.

Which on Saturday, Feb. 9, both Wartburg student-athletes and Special Olympics Athletes came together to participate in Wartburg's 21st annual Unified Sports Day, which is sponsored by Special Olympics Iowa.

"Most often what is needed of a host college or university is simply the facility and the student and faculty volunteers," Bryan Coffey, director of Unified Programs at Special Olympics Iowa, said.

Currently, the only two schools to offer Unified Sports Day in Iowa are Wartburg and Cornell.

According to Nicole Adair, a fourth-year student and third-year Unified Sports Day volunteer, Wartburg has had 150-200 volunteers each year for the past three years.

As a member of the Student-Athlete Advisory Committee (SAAC), Adair planned Unified Sports day as a second-year student without prior participation.

"The best part is seeing the athletes participate, seeing the smiles on their faces and how much they enjoy it," Adair said. "It's honestly just a fun day surrounded with a lot of energy."

At Unified Sports Day, athletes participate in a variety of activities, including basketball, volleyball, bowling, frisbee and crafts. In total, there are 20 different activities which participants, who can be of any age, rotate through. At Wartburg, the day always ends with a basketball game at center court.

Both Coffey and Adair stress that the event is beneficial for both volunteers and participants. Coffey has been able to see friendships blossom between a university student and a Special Olympics athlete.

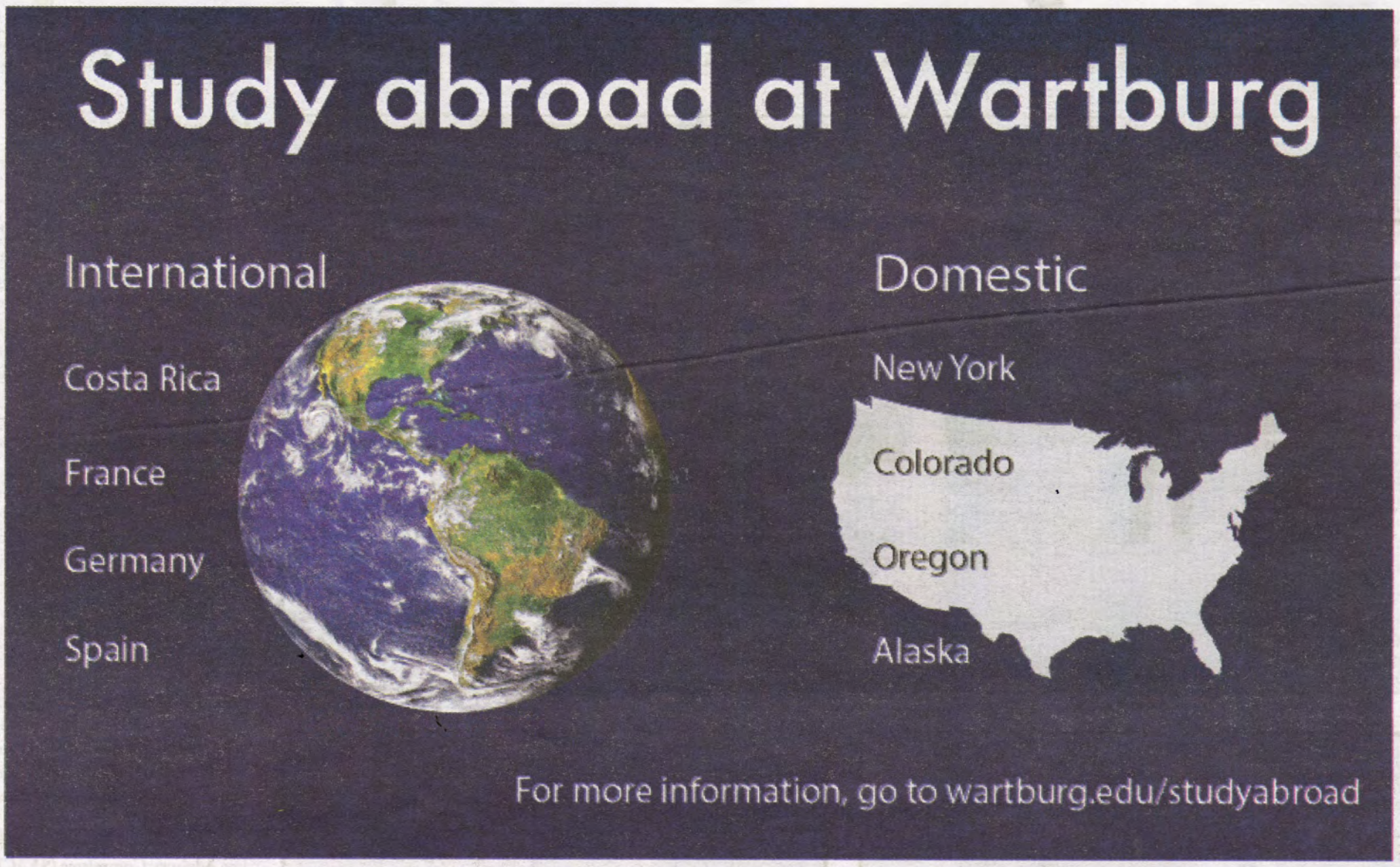
"They are true friends," Coffey said. "They spend time together outside of organization events. They go to movies together, play board games together and take advantage of other fun opportunities that come their way."

The number of volunteers and relationships formed at Wartburg's Unified Sports day relates directly back to the college's mission statement of "nurturing students for lives of leadership and service."

"Athletes and non-athletes want to give back to the community," Adair said. "At Wartburg, it's more than just athletics and music. People are involved in other things and always ready to give back to the community. It's a great thing to see."

For more information about the Unified Sports Day, contact Adair at nicole.adair@wartburg.edu, and for more information about Wartburg athletics, go to go-knights.net.

Culture shock: Adapting to new experiences



There are a variety of different places that students can study that are not on Wartburgs campus. Students can experience different cultures.–**Silvia Oakland/** *Trumpet.*

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"When you first get to a new place, everything is stimulating and you're running on adrenaline; then your physical needs catch up and you can crash," Boss said. "It's also easy to jump to conclusions about a place or a society based on very limited experience, so I think it is important to exercise some humility about the specifics and limitations of what we are learning."

Opportunities in college are always appearing, and one opportunity students can take advantage of is studying abroad. At Wartburg, students are given the opportunity to study abroad either for a full semester, or during the May Term.

Some students are required to study abroad for a major or minor requirement, others are taking classes as electives and for a chance to learn more about the world around them.

Dr. Joyce Boss, professor of English and a former director of the study abroad programs, said students experience different ways to prepare for the journey to another part of the United States or to another country. Students studying abroad for a full semester, they are sessions to help students anticipate and reflect on a few of the cultural challenges they might face.

"It's not just the obvious things like language or food, but more subtle cultural differences like communication style, formality vs. informality," Boss said. "We want to emphasize that both types of study abroad opportunities are not "trips," but rather off-campus academic experiences."

Dr. Zak Montgomery, professor of Spanish, leads study abroad trips to Colorado and Costa Rica every other year. Much like Boss, Montgomery informs his students with orientations and small group meetings to prepare for their time abroad.

"Cultural and linguistic competence represent a set of skills and attitudes that carry over not only to working alongside people from that particular linguistic/cultural background, but more importantly, to all interactions," Montgomery said. "Being able to communicate across cultures is essential for a global citizen, and this goes way beyond the, very important, language proficiency."

While students are prepared by classes and the orientation sessions beforehand, they also take preparation into their own hands. Kennedy Hiles, a Spanish and religion major with a multicultural studies and communications minor, has traveled internationally with Wartburg before however this year she will be traveling to study rather than to sing.

Hiles will be going to Costa Rica for six weeks in June to take intercultural classes in Heredia, Costa Rica.

"I know a lot of people that attend Wartburg that have traveled abroad for either three, six weeks or for whole semesters," Hiles said. "I've been asking them what the most surprising thing was for them to be there, how they adjusted with the different lifestyle and what they loved most about the culture. I have also been preparing how to speak to my host family, reading and researching the culture and trying to better my speaking skills as best as I can before I get there."

According to Boss, when students are given the opportunity to study abroad they can connect what is being taught in the classroom and apply it to the world around them. Boss also said there is no substitution when it comes to experiencing the culture rather than reading about it from a book.

"In Japan, we can physically and emotionally experience both the fast-paced metropolis of Tokyo and the contemplative pace of a centuries-old pilgrimage path in the forested mountains with cypress trees towering over us," Boss said. "It is a very different, fully embodied way of learning"

Montgomery encourages students to seek out opportunities to study abroad to expand their knowledge in the classroom and around the world. Montgomery also said studying abroad can help students communicate across cultures which will in turn help the culture on Wartburg's campus.

"You can always find an excuse to stay on campus," Montgomery said. "But you'll never regret studying abroad."

For more information, go to wartburg.edu/studyabroad.

Do you know somebody at Wartburg who goes above and beyond and is an example for the community?

We are looking for them to be recognized on our STUDENT SPOTLIGHT column

Nominate them by sending an email at trumpet@wartburg.edu with your submissions

Dorm-Made Sweet Potato Chips

INGREDIENTS:

1 large sweet potato (scrumbbed clean with the brown spots trimmed off)

1 teaspoon of extra virgin olive oil

1/2 teaspoon of salt

1/4 teaspoon of ground pepper

PREPARATION:

1. Using the thinnest blade on a mandoline, slice the potato after first cutting off the ends.

2. Put the potato slices in a bowl and add the oil, salt and pepper. Hand toss the slices to coat all of them with the oil, salt and pepper.

3. Cut a piece of parchment paper to fit on the tray in a microwave. Place the slices in a sigle layer and microwave for four to six minutes depending on the microwave's power.

4. Once fully cooked, put on a plate or in a bowl and enjoy.

Wartburg student releases first album

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Photo courtesy of Anjela Waterman

Anjela Waterman, first-year psychology, sociology and journalism and communication major at Wartburg College just released her first album "Colorblind" onto SoundCloud. The album features eight tracks that she has written and recorded herself. She had been writing songs for the past three years and finalized the album in January.

"I didn't think it was going to be good," Waterman said. "I didn't think that many people would listen to it. I just thought it would be my friends and my family,"

Waterman is color-deficient which prevents her from seeing most colors. The album was named after the title "Colorblind." The song is about how she doesn't see things the way everyone else does.

Although Waterman put a lot of time and effort into all the songs on the album, she said that her favorites and the ones that got the most positive feedback are "Alien," "Eye See Blue," "Different Rooms" and "Breathe."

"I like 'Alien' because I'm interested in extraterrestrials and space. That one was really fun to write," Waterman said, "I got EnChroma glasses toward the end of last year and 'Eye See Blue' is about the first time I wore them and all the colors I saw and how they made me feel. My mom's eyes are blue so it was the first time I was able to see the color of my mom's eyes."

According to the Brill Eye Center, "EnChroma works by using a filter to target certain photopigments that cut out select wavelengths of light to enhance specific colors."

"Different Rooms," one of the last songs that Waterman wrote for the album, was originally a poem that was written while she was in the hospital for her step-father. After her step-father passed away, she finalized the poem and used it for individual speech in high school. After receiving a positive response, Waterman was able to compete in the Iowa All State Speech Competition.

"Breathe," a song that Waterman wrote after a friend committed suicide. was written to help those going through the same situation.

The album was released on Jan. 30 and since then has had over 1,500 plays. Her album will soon be on Spotify but she is unsure of when it will be available.

Ellen keeps things 'Relatable' in new special

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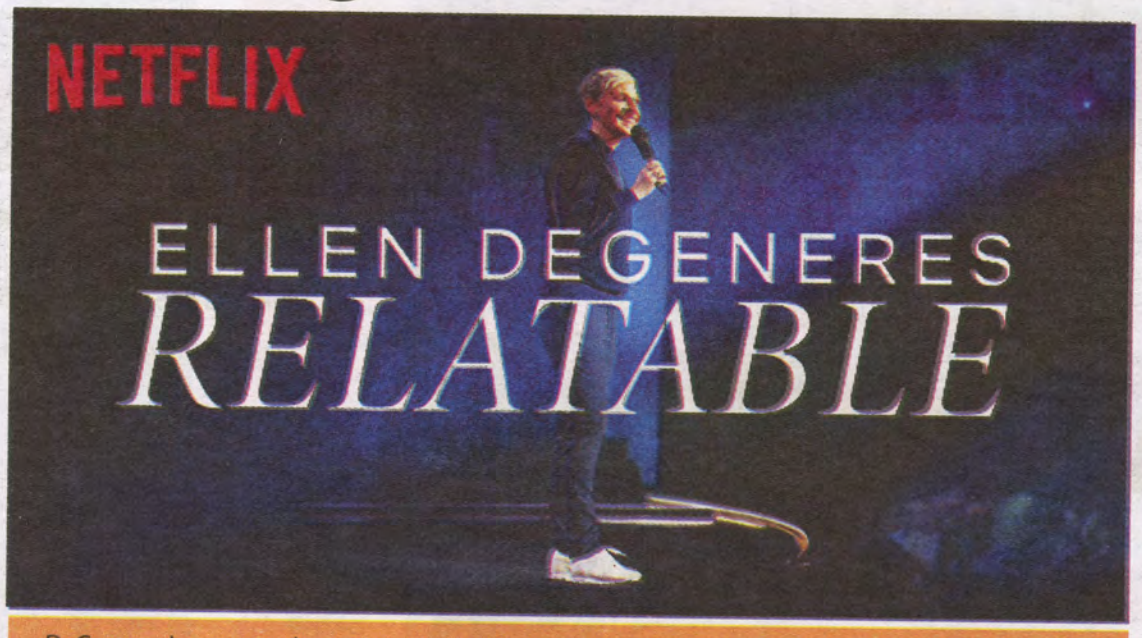

DeGeneres has come a long way since her first appearance on her daytime talk show "Ellen" with her hour long Netflix special. -**Photo courtesy of Netflix**

Netflix has recently released several comedy specials from comedians around the world. However, despite all of the other releases, there is just one person that is just a little more "Relatable" to viewers.

The "Ellen DeGeneres: Relatable" special is currently trending on Netflix and is an hour-long stand-up comedy routine by DeGeneres that has made many viewers laugh.

"I haven't laughed that much watching a Netflix show in a long time," Grace Ochs, first-year psychology major, said. "I used to watch Ellen when I was in middle school."

This is DeGeneres' first comedy special since 2003. The last 15 years she has been busy with her popular daytime talk show, "The Ellen Show." She mentioned in her special that she will be starting her 16th season of the show this year.

"She might have the money and she might have the fame, but she doesn't use it as a way to put people down," Sydnes said. "She uses it as a way to uplift others versus a lot of other celebrities."

Ellen connects relatable information to stereotypes, signs, paths in life, and of course she throws a little dancing number into her show that reminds viewers that bad dance moves are relatable at all ages.

"I really liked the waiter joke, because I can relate." Jessica Sydnes, second-year social work major, said.

Ellen also explains all the lessons she's learned on her journey to fame and about coming out as gay.

"I liked that she came so far in life after being put down for her sexuality and still continued to make a career, "Ochs said.

Ochs is not the only one who believes Ellen overcame obstacles that are all too relatable in today's society.

"She went through a lot and I commend her for sticking through it," Sydnes said. "That journey is very realistic for other people too. They face the public scrutiny and how people react to it and she even talked about people who claim to be her friends and her biggest fans but when she came out they dropped off which is a very realistic representation of when people come out of the closet."

Ellen makes jokes in her special about how she started ending her talk show with the phrase, "be kind to one another." This phrase, however, does represent a very crucial part of humankind: everyone should be kind to one another.

"I think she's a little more humble than most. She does touch on her slogan 'be kind to others' and she has that," Sydnes said. "I also think she embodies and embraces the slogan and there's a reason she said it to begin with."

After her stand-up comedy routine, Ellen answers questions from the audience in a ten minute episode. She answers questions about dreams, personal growth and happiness. Even though she did throw in a few sarcastic answers, her overall responses were honest.

"I appreciated her honesty and advice in the question and answer part of the special. It just shows how down to earth she really is," Ochs said.

The Netflix original comedy special "Ellen DeGeneres: Relatable" is a must watch for those looking for something funny to watch and as Ellen says, remember to be kind.

New directors take on 'Rumors' production

Wartburg Players to present third production of the year

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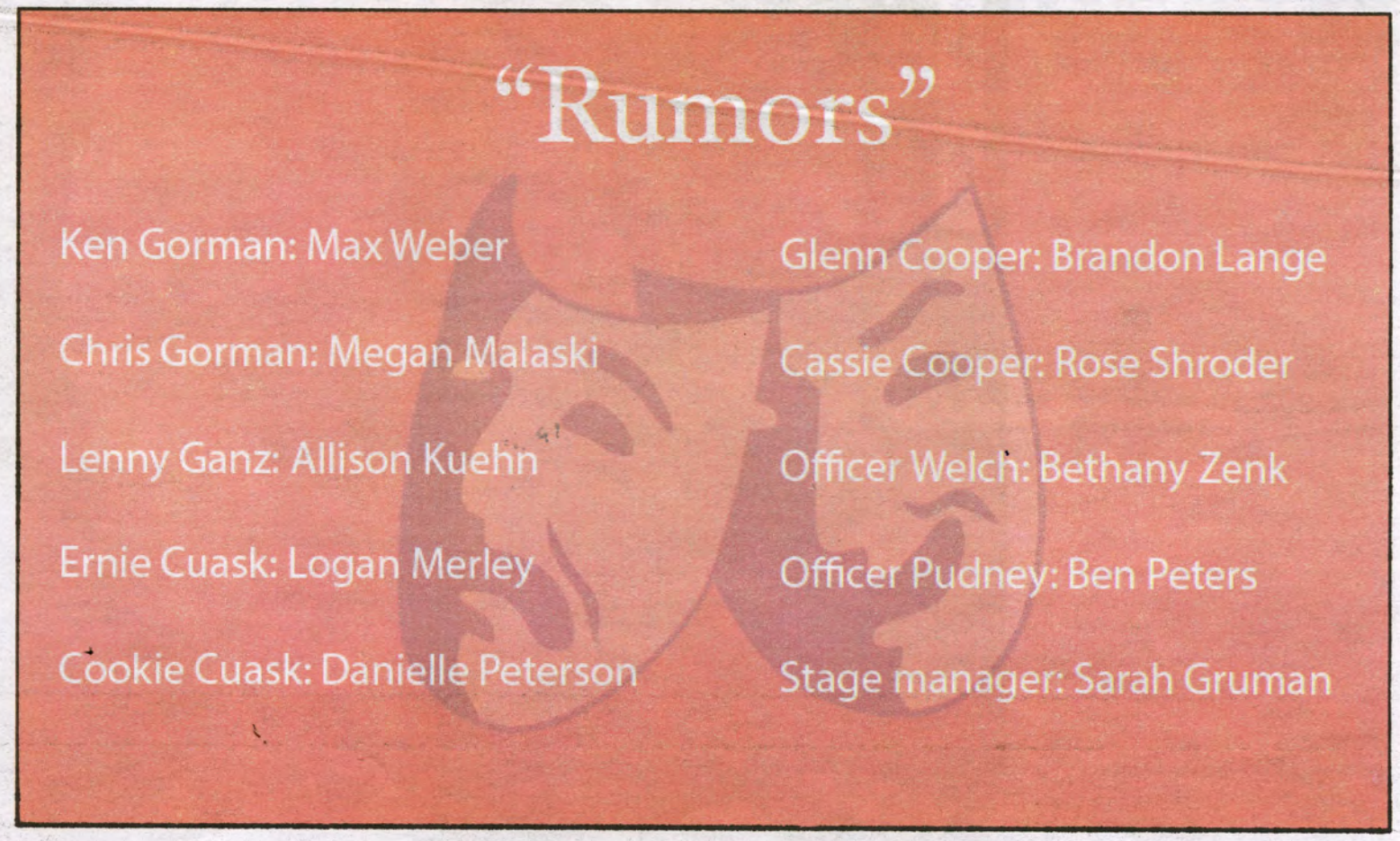

"Rumors," a farce written by Neil Simon, will be the next production by Wartburg Players. This is Nathan Stephany and Courtney Stucker's first time working together to direct a play for the organization. -**Silvia Oakland/** *TRUMPET*

The Wartburg Players have two first-time directors directing the third show of the year, "Rumors."

Nathan Stephany and Courtney Stucker, both second-year students, have stepped up to direct the comedic play about a dinner party. When the guests arrive, they find that the host tried to kill himself and his wife has vanished.

Traditionally, the third production put on by the Wartburg Players is directed by the vice president elected the year prior.

"Due to extraneous circumstances our vice president was no longer on campus," Stephany said. "We appointed me as the vice president, and due to the crunch in timeframe we still wanted to have a production. Courtney also stepped in to co-direct."

Both students have experience directing. Stephany has directed before for KnightVision and Cedar Valley Today.

When we work together [Stucker] are the much nicer, positive person and I am the stern, let's get things done person," Stephany said.

Both Stephany and Stucker are also Iowa High School Speech Association (IHSSA) judges and were involved in theater and speech in high school.

Casting has finished for the production, and the production is about three weeks into rehearsals.

"Right off the bat our first rehearsal we knew that we had casted the right people and had just the right environment for these people," Stucker said. "Their chemistry is phenomenal right now. We weren't just lucky, they are just great people."

Since co-directing, Stephany and Stucker have learned that they have very different directing styles, however the styles complement each other well.

"Right now Nathan is doing pretty much all of the blocking," Stucker said. "Which for non-theater people is actor movement around the stage and when they say their lines."

Stucker said she is tasked with how to add characterization and character development to the story and actions.

"It's a learning process for everyone including us directors," Stucker said. "That doesn't mean that we can't have fun with it."

Performances will be held at 7:30 p.m., April 4-5, in the McCaskey Lyceum.

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Queens and kings take over 'Decades of Drag'

Annual drag show features both Wartburg and community members

Wartburg College Alliance hosted the annual drag show on Feb. 9 in Neumann Auditorium. The theme of this year's theme for GAYLA Week and the drag show was "Decades of Drag," allowing participants to take a trip through the past.

Andrea Michaels Knight (above left) is a professional drag queen who performs at Kings and Queens, a bar in Cedar Falls that hosts drag performances often.

Duh-versity Knights (above right) performed to a compliation of Britney Spears songs through the years. The group has performed at the annual drag show in years past.

Another professional drag queen from Kings and Queens (bottom right) dances and struts her stuff to the oldies.

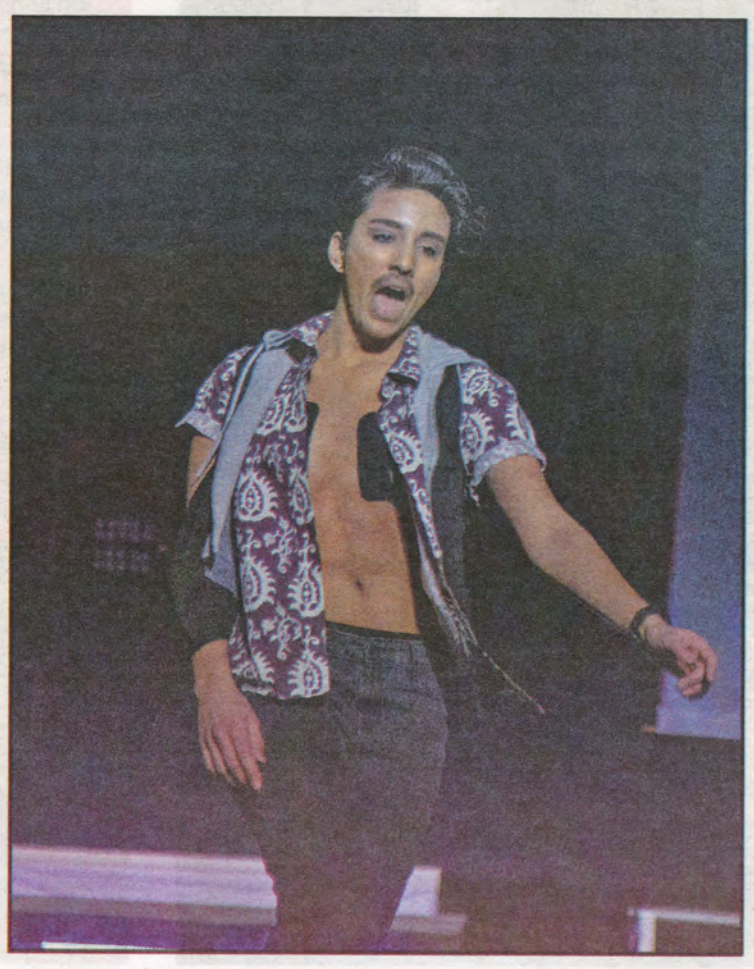
University of Northen Iowa student, Blair, (bottom left) performed to Panic! At The Disco's "Emperor's New Clothes." The event was open to the public to perform and attend.

Alliance hosts drag show

Wartburg College Alliance held their annual Drag Show Feb. 9 featuring professional drag queens from the Cedar Valley, along with amatuers from Wartburg and the surrounding areas.

Ruby James Knight (above left) emceed the night along with Courtney Michaels who both performed later in the evening. A Cedar Valley community member (above right) brought the crowd to tears while embracing the transgender pride flag to conclude the set.

Josh and Tony PeterSmith (left) performed as the iconic duo Lady Gaga and Beyonce's "Telephone" after performing solo routines. Kalyani Kannan (below) performed All American Rejects "Sweat."**- Kendall Erenberger/** *TRUMPET*



Women's basketball racks up 20th win

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Kayley Shoen '19 (above), along with teammate Adrienne Boettger '19 were honored as the only two seniors for the Women's Basketball team. –**Annika Wall**/*TRUMPET*

It was never even a contest Saturday night, as the Wartburg Women's Basketball team picked up the team's 20th win for the season, 95-56, over the visiting Nebraska Wesleyan Prairie Wolves. The team honored Adrienne Boettger '19 and Kayley Shoen '19 before the senior night performance.

Leading the Knights in scoring on the night was Adrienne Boettger '19 with 13 points, including a 5-6 performance from the free throw line. Three other Knights also broke double digits in scoring, including Tori Hazard '21 with 10, Ally Conrad '21 with 11 and Payton Draper '21 with 10.

"[Depth] is so important, just passing and sharing the ball," Ally Conrad, 2-4 from three, said. "We all know that we can score. Our bench is just crazy talented and we know that when we pass the ball and have faith that we can play to the best of our ability."

The Knight's victory was due in large part to Wartburg's hyper-efficient three-point shooting, the team's best display from beyond the arc all season. Wartburg dropped the jaws of fans who packed into Levick Arena by shooting a staggering 46 percent from three-point range and 69 percent from three in the first half alone.

"We just have to move the ball around, really," Conrad said. "We're so good at making the extra pass and sharing the ball. We need to trust each other to hit those threes and I have confidence that my teammates can knock them down."

The Knights got on the boards first with a three-pointer from Amanda Brainerd '20 and held the lead for the rest of the night, at times even doubling the visiting Prairie Wolves. The Knights ended the first quarter with a 16-2 run to make the overall score 30-9.

The second quarter held more of the same for Wartburg, as the Knights had their way with Nebraska Wesleyan with a 21-2 run to close out the first half with a near unbeatable 54-19 score.

The starting five for Wartburg saw less and less playing time throughout the second half of the game, resulting in a near-even scoring output as Wartburg scored slightly less than their first half margin with 41. Additionally, the Prairie Wolves increased their scoring pace by scoring 37 second half points. Despite the more balanced scoring, the Knights capped off the contest with their 20th win of the season, 95-56.

"It's so much fun," Boettger said after reaching the milestone win. "We've got a great group of girls. Playing our game is fun either way but obviously winning makes it easier."

With this weekend's win, the women improved their record to 20-3 overall, and 13-1 in American Rivers Conference play. The women are currently one game ahead of the Loras DuHawks for first in the conference, as the DuHawks hold a 12-2 A-R-C record.

The women will next take to the hardwood at 6 p.m. on Wednesday against Buena

Track & Field competes at Grinnell College

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Last weekend the Wartburg Track and Field Teams travelled to Grinnell College to compete against 11 different teams. The women's team finished second and the men's team finished fourth.

Ellie Roquet

In field events for the women, Ellie Roquet '21 jumped a mark of 5' 2.5" to claim first in the high jump. Jarika Eisentrager '21 finished first in the long jump with a leap of 17' 9.5". Anna Rehberg '20 threw a mark of 13.83 meters to finish first in the shot put.

On the track, Morgan Funke '22 finished third in the 60 meter dash with a time of 8.00. Trinity Borland '22 ran a 5:26.47 to finish sixth in the mile. In the 3,000 meter run, Cassidy Christopher '21 claimed first with a time of 10:30.99. Nicole Breitbach '19 followed with a time of 10:48.27 to finish second. Anna Hertz '22 ran a 19:07.49 in the 5,000 meter run and finished second.

Maggi Bjustrom '20 ran a 9.20 to claim first in the 60 meter hurdles. Wartburg women finished second in the 4x400 meter relay with a time of 4:05.99. The team consisted of Erica Rittgers '20, Belle Tyynismaa '20, Jaderial Staebler '21 and Carson McSorley '22. The distance medley relay finished third with a time of 12:59.51.

For the men, Denison Harrington '20 claimed fourth in the 60 meter dash with a time of 7.15. Famiek Cook '19 took third place in the 200 meter dash, running a 23.10. Conor Sapp '20 ran a 4:24.65 in the mile to claim third place. Jay Mixdorf '22 finished fifth in the 3,000 meter run with a time of 8:59.54. Ali Ali '21 ran a 15:36.46 and finished fourth in the 5,000 meter run. Dallas Wright '21 took second place in the 60 meter hurdles, running a time of 8:41. Cook followed right behind him to claim third with a time of 8:43.

The men finished second in the 4x400 meter relay running a 3:22.97. This team consisted of Joe Duehr '20, Mac Nuanez '22, Mark Schulz '19, and Wright. The distance medley relay claimed first with a time of 10:40.03. The team consisted of Sam Lorimer '21, Drew Hoffman '22, Sam Madson '22 and Dalton Martin '22.

Sam Lorimer

Wartburg will run at home next weekend on Saturday, Feb. 16th at the Wartburg Indoor Invite.

Men's Basketball drops second-half thriller, 85-82

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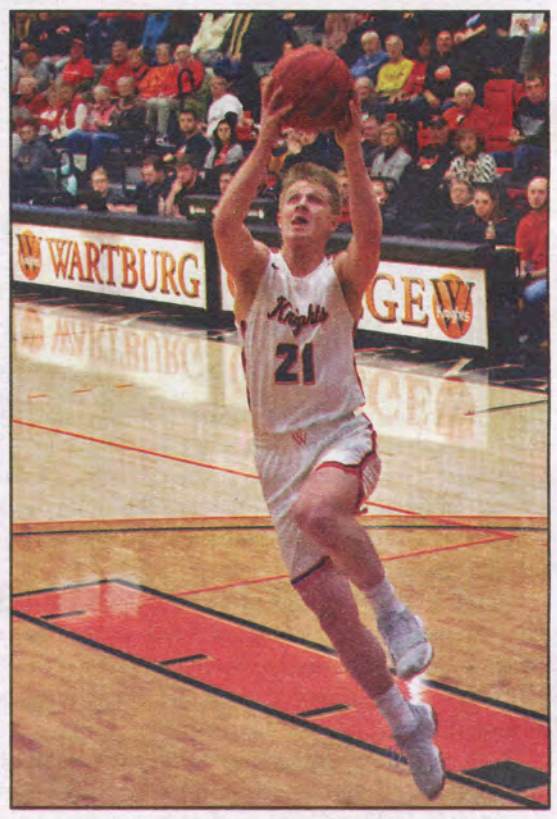

Max Smith Drahos '21 scored 17 points in the loss to the Prairie Wolves. –**Annika Wall**/*TRUMPET*

The Wartburg Men's Basketball team took a heartbreaking loss during senior night at the hands of the reigning NCAA DIII champions, the Nebraska Wesleyan Prairie Wolves, on Saturday, 85-82.

Despite holding the lead for most of the game, the Knights simply couldn't keep pace with the high-efficiency scoring of the Prairie Wolves. Nebraska Wesleyan converted on 57 percent of field goals throughout the game, intimidating the Knights every time down the floor. The Prairie Wolves also lead the way in three-point percentage, shooting 47 percent.

In addition to leading the Knights in all shooting categories, Nebraska Wesleyan held the edge in assists, steals and blocks. Wartburg held the rebounding advantage, 34-31. Nebraska Wesleyan clinched the American Rivers Conference regular season title following the victory, in addition to securing the no. 1 seed going into the conference tournament.

Wartburg took advantage of smart shooting and gritty defense to put the defending national champs on their heels heading into the halftime break, with the Knights on top 46-36. However, Nebraska Wesleyan showed an infallible performance in the second half, opening up the period on a 22-8 run over the first eight minutes.

The Prairie Wolves defended the lead with tenacity for the remainder of the night, despite Wartburg cutting it to a one-possession game multiple times in the closing minutes.

Cam Kickbush '19 led the Knights in scoring with 21 points. Max Smith Drahos '21 finished with 17 points, while Jaran Sabus '19 and forward Aidan Weber '22 finished with 15 points and 11 points, respectively. Weber led the team in rebounding with seven, followed by Sabus at six and Tyler Zumbach '20 with four.

After connecting on five three-pointers in the game, Kickbush broke the school record for most three-pointers made in a single season. Former Knight Todd Reinhardt previously set the mark during the 1990-91 season with 79 made threes. Kickbush also secured the record for most made three-pointers in school history earlier in his final season.

After a 15 point performance, Sabus moved to third all-time in scoring. The guard trails former teammate Jordan Cannon by 68 points. Smith Drahos secured fifth place for single-season steals with 48, averaging 2.08 per game.

This loss drops the Knights to 15-8 on the season and 9-5 in American Rivers Conference action. Wartburg has a chance to change their momentum going into postseason play when they face the Buena Vista Beavers at 8 p.m. on Wednesday night in Waverly.

Wartburg 'holds the rope'

Knights clinch 27th straight conference title, defeat Loras 23-16

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The wrestlers won six matches en route to securing the first wrestling title in American Rivers Conference history. This is Wartburg's 37th conference title in program history. **-Wartburg Sports Information**

On Friday, Feb. 8, Wartburg Wrestling hopped on a bus to Dubuque, Iowa, aiming to gain the program's 27th straight and 37th overall conference title. However, when 7 p.m. rolled around, the no. 8 Loras DuHawks weren't going down without a fight. Similar Wartburg's match last week against no. 1 Augsburg, the victory came down to the 285 pound match.

The team score sat at 19-16 in favor of the Knights. Bowen Wileman '19 was on a four-match winning streak in a rematch against DuHawk Quin Gilliam. In last year's matchup, unranked Wileman upset Gilliam, who was ranked fifth in the nation at the time. This time around, while both grapplers were unranked, Wileman used a dominant 16-3 major decision to solidify a 23-16 Wartburg victory and the first American Rivers Conference title.

"It was pretty awesome, especially being the last match," Wileman said. "The coaches really do a good job getting us in shape and working us pretty hard. Throughout the season we just keep working harder."

To begin the hard-fought match, no. 4 Brady Kyner '21 won the 125 pound match with a fall at 1:46 over Jake Hiles. This marks Kyner's 20th win of the season and sixth pin.

No. 1 Brock Rathbun '21 was upset by no. 3 Brice Everson with an 8-3 decision at 133 pounds. This is Rathbun's second-straight loss after being upset by no. 4 Sam Bennyhoff of Augsburg.

At 141 pounds, former All-American Clint Lembeck continued Loras' trend of upsets, pinning no. 7 Brady Fritz '22 at the 5:10 mark.

However, Kris Rumph '22 tied the match 9-9 following a 10-4 decision over no. 6 Kevin Kelly. This is the second-straight match Rumph has upset a ranked opponent, following the transfer's upset of former teammate no. 2 David Flynn.

"It's very exciting," Rumph said. "Coming here was the best move for me. When you trust in your skills and have the mindset you can beat anyone, it can help you beat whoever. Those are good wins, now it's on to the next one."

Next up for the Knights, no. 1 Cross Cannone '19 continued to reign undefeated on the year at 157 pounds, posting an 8-3 decision over no. 5 Brandon Murray. Cannone ranks 21st in career wins at Wartburg with 110.

In another matchup of two ranked wrestlers, no. 4 Michael Ross '21 claimed a 4-0 decision against no. 10 Eddie Smith in the 165 pound matchup.

Two former teammates took to the mat during the 174 pound match. Former Knight Jacob Krakow, who transferred to Loras at semester, took his first loss as a DuHawk to no. 4 Kyle Briggs '21. Briggs extended his winning streak to six with the 13-5 major decision.

After wrestling at 197 pounds earlier in the season, Trevor Walton '21 dropped down to wrestle in the 184 pound weight class. Walton lost a tight 8-7 decision to Simon Schuler. To follow, no. 8 Kobe Woods '20 lost a 10-2 major decision to no. 2 Guy Patron Jr. at 197 pounds, setting Wileman up to secure Wartburg's 30th consecutive win over the DuHawks.

With the win, the Knights move the conference dual win streak to 213. Wartburg ends the dual season 15-1 and 8-0 in A-R-C conference play. Coming up next are the NCAA Regionals February 23-24.

Cheer, dance compete at A-R-C Championships

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The Wartburg Dance and Cheer teams competed at the American Rivers Conference Championships on Sunday. The cheer team took second place in the five person stunt and team routines. The dance squad took third in hip-hop and fourth in jazz and pom.

This was the first time in more than six years the dance team competed in the hip-hop category. Monique Ellison '19, captain of Duh-Versity Knights (DVK) and student instructor at 'The W,' choreographed the number.

Last year, Wartburg took home the top prize in the pom category. Pom routines, according to Head Coach Bailey Caminich, are the high-energy routines performed at basketball games. Hip-hop routines feature sharp, energetic movement, while jazz performances have a more flowing rhythm.

"Each girl on the team is able to adjust to each routine," Caminich said. "Obviously there are some girls who are a little bit stronger in certain areas than others, but I think that overall we have a really good mix of skills on the team. Everyone is able to bring their different skill levels to each category that we have."

In December, Wartburg took part in the state competition. There, the Knights took home third place. Because of this, the dancers knew the routines well in advance of last weekend's competition, something Caminich feels gives them an advantage amidst the pressure of retaining the pom title from last year.

"You know you want to bring home that conference trophy, that conference title, just like Wartburg is known for doing," Caminich said. "There's that added pressure sometimes, but at the same time it's kind of nice to just do another competition."

The cheer and dance teams will continue to perform and provide school spirit at home basketball games and wrestling meets. The dance team is also interested in male students to participate in a co-ed dance routine. For more information, contact Caminich at bailey.caminich@wartburg.edu.

The Wartburg cheer squad performs at nearly every home basketball game and wrestling meet. **-Lexi Bodzioch**/*TRUMPET*

Upcoming Sports Schedule

Feb 13

- Women's Basketball vs. Buena Vista, 6 p.m.
- Men's Basketball vs. Buena Vista, 8 p.m.

Feb 16

- Women's Basketball @ University of Dubuque, 2 p.m.
- Men's Basketball @ University of Dubuque, 4 p.m.
- Women's Track and Field vs. Wartburg College Invite
- Men's Track and Field vs. Wartburg College Invite
- Men's Tennis vs. St. Norbert College @ Winona, Minnesota, 3 p.m.
- Men's Tennis @ Saint Mary's University, 6 p.m.

Feb 17

- Women's Lacrosse @ Elmhurst College, 1 p.m.

Feb 19-23

- Women's Basketball A-R-C Conference Tournament
- Men's Basketball A-R-C Conference Tournament

*Locations, opponents and times TBA

Feb 22-23

- Women's Track and Field vs. A-R-C Conference Championships
- Men's Track and Field vs. A-R-C Conference Championships

Feb 23

- Men's Tennis @ Cornell College, 9 a.m.
- Women's Tennis vs. UW-La Crosse @ Owatonna, Minnesota, 9 a.m.

Trumpet Athletes of the Week

Bowen Wileman
Won the pivotal heavyweight match to deliver the Knights the 27th straight conference championship.

Tori Hazard
Scored 22 points over Wartburg's two games to go along with 16 rebounds and seven assists. Wartburg won both games.